HOT AIR BALLOONS, HOT BANDS ROCK
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN GLENDALE JANUARY 19

GLENDALE, Ariz. -- Dozens of hot air balloons will cast a warm glow over Historic Downtown Glendale as the city says farewell to its annual holiday light display with its equally spectacular closing ceremony, Glendale Glitter & Glow on Jan. 19, from 3-10 p.m.

More than 75,000 people are expected to attend the free event, which will showcase more than two dozen colorful hot air balloons, live bands and street performers under the twinkling canopy of *Glendale Glitters* holiday light display.

Visitors will be able to walk the streets and actually touch the tethered balloons, which pilots will fire up to glow throughout the evening.

More than a dozen live bands will entertain visitors of all musical tastes throughout the downtown area, and street performers will offer even more fun for all ages.

Additional highlights will include delicious food and beverages, horse-drawn carriage rides, sponsor booths and activities and rides for children.

Historic Downtown Glendale is located just northeast of 59th and Glendale avenues. There are more than 2,000 free parking spaces within a 10-minute walk of the festivities. Additional free parking and shuttles are available at Glendale Community College, at 59th and Olive avenues. Security will be provided at the shuttle lot. Handicapped parking is located in all areas.

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Hot air balloon operations are subject to FAA regulations with weather and wind conditions permitting.

For more information, call the city of Glendale special event hotline at (623) 930-2299 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events.